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Magalie Roman Salas, Esquire  
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445 12th Street, S.W.  
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Re: Oral *Ex Parte* Presentation  
WT Docket No. 97-207

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Dear Ms. Salas:

On Friday, December 10, 1999, Lawrence R. Krevor, Senior Director, Government Affairs of Nextel Communications, Inc. ("Nextel"), Laura L. Holloway, Director, Government Affairs of Nextel, and Laura H. Phillips, counsel for Nextel, met with Ari Fitzgerald, Legal Advisor to Chairman Kennard of the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission"), regarding the above-referenced proceeding.

During the meeting, Nextel representatives discussed the comments that Nextel filed in the proceeding. In particular, the Nextel representatives also explained the need for mandated access to ILEC billing and collection services, which are essential to the success of CPP. Clearinghouses and other purported alternatives cannot replicate the LECs' economies of scale which are necessary to make the collection of individual, small value CPP calls economically feasible. Because LECs have no marketplace incentives to provide this service, regulatory intervention is necessary to ensure that CPP has the full and fair marketplace test suggested in the Commission's *Notice*.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's Rules, an original and one copy of this letter are being submitted to the Secretary's office and a copy is being provided to each of the Commission attendees. Please inform me if any questions should arise in connection with this filing.

Respectfully submitted,



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Counsel for Nextel Communications, Inc.

cc: Ari Fitzgerald

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During the meeting, Nextel representatives discussed the comments that Nextel filed in the proceeding. In particular, the Nextel representatives discussed the scope of calling customer notification rules. Specifically to ensure that customers of a calling party pays ("CPP") call would know that they are placing such a call, Nextel would not oppose a pre-call completion rule requiring disclosure of the identity of the CMRS carrier and that the caller may terminate without charge. It is critical, however, that any pre-call notification requirement be simple and seamless. Nextel believes that marketplace incentives will prevent excessive CPP charges and that the Commission should avoid *a priori* regulation.

The Nextel representatives also explained the need for mandated access to ILEC billing and collection services, which are essential to the success of CPP. Clearinghouses and other purported alternatives cannot replicate the LECs' economies of scale which are necessary to make the collection of individual, small value CPP calls economically feasible. Because LECs have no marketplace incentives to provide this service, regulatory intervention is necessary to ensure that CPP has the full and fair marketplace test suggested in the Commission's *Notice*.

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